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2004 UCR Quality Assurance Reviews

Since the 04-04 UCR Bulletin, the following agencies received letters of commendation from the Director of the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Criminal Records & Identification Division for outstanding performance and findings following their 2004 Missouri UCR Quality Assurance Review:

The Missouri Division of Fire Safety
Warrensburg Police Department
Columbia Police Department
Adrian Police Department
Christian County Sheriff's Department
Highlandville Police Department
Town & Country Police Department
Arnold Police Department
Garden City Police Department
Claycomo Police Department
Butler Police Department
Chillicothe Police Department
Richmond Police Department

Moscow Mills Police Department
The Jackson County Drug Task Force
The Platte County Drug Task Force

It is important to note that one third of all independently reporting law enforcement agencies are reviewed each year. During 2004, 190 reviews were scheduled. An annual report of QAR results will be available later this year. As documentation is still being processed, there may be additional agencies that receive letters of commendation following the publication of this Bulletin. Those agencies will be identified in the June 2005 UCR Bulletin.

UCR Deadlines 2005

The deadline for submitting 2005 data to the national program office for inclusion in the *Semiannual Report* is August 26, 2005; therefore the state deadline has been established as **August 12, 2005** to allow MoUCR Program Office personnel ten business days to process the data for submission.

The deadline for police employee counts for 2005 to be submitted to the national program office is December 23, 2005, therefore the state deadline has been established as **December 9, 2005** to allow MoUCR Program Office personnel ten business days to process the data for submission.

Other deadlines will be published and distributed as they become available.

Note: in the weeks following a deadline, program personnel may contact your agency. At that time you may be given the opportunity to provide corrections to your data. Agencies should note that we are seeking correction or validation of data already received and currently being processed by the FBI when those contacts occur. They are not a “deadline extension”. Data may be questioned if a trend analysis points out year-to-year changes, etc. These reports cannot be run until the data is received and the data set is analyzed. Only then can we determine that follow-up contacts must be made. Anyone with questions may contact Laurie Crawford at 573-526-6278.

MIBRS Software

As part of the Missouri Incident Based Reporting System (MIBRS) project development in Missouri, the Missouri State Highway Patrol has created a Mini Record Management System (RMS) for use by very small agencies free of charge. This software was developed for agencies so small that they could not otherwise purchase an RMS. It is not intended to replace or supplement any commercial software that might be available, but to provide a tool for small agencies to use whereby MIBRS data could be extracted from the local system and submitted to the state repository in a format that meets state and national data specifications. It is designed for local operation on one computer, not for network installation. Any agencies interested in a demonstration of the software should contact their regional UCR Trainer/Quality Assurance Auditor.

New MoUCR Instruction Manual Available

Revision #4 of the Missouri UCR Instruction Manual has been completed. The manual is available in hard copy or in electronic PDF format. You may contact your regional trainers for a copy or download the electronic copy from the UCR Website at:

<http://www.mshp.state.mo.us/ucr/ucrhome.nsf/>

Classification Clarifications

If a person is arrested for leaving the scene of an accident, the arrest should be reported as a #26 All Other Offenses.

If a person presents a fake or borrowed ID to enter a drinking establishment, the arrest should be reported as #11 Fraud.

DPS Compliance Reports

Agency compliance status is reported monthly to the Department of Public Safety, along with Quality Assurance Review findings for each agency. We would like to take this time to thank all the agencies for their steadfast and timely data submissions. The percentage of agency compliance not only affects the individual agency but also impacts Missouri compliance with the National Program. The more agencies continue to strive for 100 percent compliance, the more Missouri will benefit when we compete with other states for grant money and other benefits.

ASUCRP Conference

The annual Association of State Uniform Crime Reporting Programs (ASUCRP) conference is scheduled this year for September 18, 2005 through September 21, 2005 at the Peabody Hotel in Little Rock, Arkansas. Anyone seeking information or wishing to attend may obtain information at:

<http://www.asucrp.org/>

The conference agenda is still in development, but will be available on the website soon.

CJIS Launch Pad (On-Line Re-Certification Information)

For information concerning CJIS Launch Pad and/or MULES/NCIC training issues, please contact Tim Wever at 573-526-1212 or the Highway Patrol Troop Trainers in your region for assistance. The UCR Trainers/Quality Assurance Auditors are only responsible for conducting the MULES/NCIC audits.

FBI NIBRS Training Conducted

During the final week of March 2005, the FBI sent training personnel to Missouri to conduct training on the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). Missouri is working toward implementation of the Missouri Incident Based Reporting System (MIBRS), and is currently testing with the FBI for state NIBRS certification. We asked the FBI to send in their training staff to assist us, as we'll be ready to accept MIBRS data in Missouri before we have a complete training curriculum developed. The turnout for the training was very good despite the fact that Continuing Education Credits were not available. 140 people attended statewide.

Surveys Received

The MoUCR Program would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who returned a completed Missouri Law Enforcement Agency UCR Survey (sent out with the December Bulletin). We are compiling a list of vendors who service Missouri agencies for use once MIBRS Certification of agencies is underway. By contacting vendors in advance, they will have the opportunity to examine their applications and determine which, if any, changes are necessary for participation in MIBRS. Vendors need to be aware that the MIBRS Repository Specifications are available as a download on the MoUCR Website along with the new manual.

Extradition Denied as an Exceptional Clearance

Per a national program ruling, extradition limits set by courts or prosecutors which prevent law enforcement agencies from extraditing an offender do not qualify as an exceptional clearance. The national program ruling is that denial of extradition must be limited to denial of the official surrender of an alleged criminal by one state or nation to another having jurisdiction over the crime charged. In short, it is limited to the refusal to return a fugitive from justice, regardless of consent, by the authorities where the fugitive resides.

State Agencies

Arson Reporting

During the recent audits of several state agencies, it was determined that arsons are not always being reported. Due to the passage of the Anti-Arson Act of 1982, arson should always be reported, even in multiple offense situations. On page one of the 603 Report, arsons should be reported along with any other part I offense that occurs. For detailed instructions, please refer to your 603 Instructions or contact Chad Mengwasser at 573-526-6279. If the State Fire Marshall is involved in the Arson investigation, the Fire Marshall will report the Arson.

Gaming Violations

If a person has them self barred from entering a gaming establishment, and is then arrested and charged with trespassing while attempting to enter a gaming facility, the arrest should be reported as #26 All Other Offenses for UCR purposes.

If a person presents a fake or borrowed ID to enter a gaming establishment, the arrest should be reported as #11 Fraud.

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